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How many millions of dollars the United States spends on espionage activities is not publicly known. In fact, the budget of our super-spy agency, the CIA, is carefully concealed.

Yet while American taxpayers put up millions — and perhaps billions — of dollars to finance intelligence operations, other branches of government almost hand out U. S. intelligence data to foreign agents.

Military maps, locations of bases, defense contracts, troop activities — all this is available in Washington, much of it neatly compiled in booklets by the Government Printing Office and available for a few cents to anyone.

Former CIA chief Allen Dulles is disturbed by this American tendency to be loose with intelligence data — giving away the same kind of information we spend huge sums of money to get.

In his book, "The Craft of Intelligence," Dulles pointedly asks:

"What good does it do to spend millions to defend ourselves against espionage if our secrets just leak away."

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